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TWO MEN CHARGED IN BANK ROBBERY SPREE

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE: United States Attorney Tom Colantuono, Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation Kenneth W. Kaiser, Manchester Police Chief John Jaskolka, Concord Police Chief Jerome Madden, Alton Police Chief Kevin Iwans, Bow Police Chief Jeff Jaran, Conway Police Chief Ed Wagner, Laconia Police Chief Thomas J. Oetinger, Moultonborough Police Chief Scott Kinmond, Plymouth Police Chief Anthony Raymond, and Stratham Police Chief Michael Daley today announced that Avery Blodgett 24, and Travis Blodgett, 26, of Sweden, Maine, were charged by a federal grand jury with conspiracy to commit bank robbery, bank robbery, and possession and use of a firearm during a bank robbery relating to twelve bank robberies committed between October 24, 2005 and January 23, 2006.

The Blodgetts were arrested on January 23, 2006 in Sweden, Maine, based upon a complaint charging them with the January 11, 2006 robbery of the Ocean National Bank in Stratham, New Hampshire and had been indicted by the grand jury for that crime on January 25, 2006. They have been detained since that time. The new superseding indictment charging the defendants with the additional robberies was returned by the grand jury yesterday, February 8, 2006.

The indictment alleges that the two committed, either individually or while acting together, robberies at the following banks:

1. October 24, 2005 - TD BankNorth - Manchester
2. November 3, 2005 - Citizens Bank - Manchester
3. November 16, 2005 - TD BankNorth - Manchester
4. November 29, 2005 - Citizens Bank - Concord
5. December 5, 2005 - Bow Mills Bank & Trust - Bow
6. December 14, 2005 - Meredith Village Savings Bank - Moultonborough
7. December 21, 2005 - Meredith Village Savings Bank - Plymouth
8. December 23, 2005 - Profile Bank - Alton
9. December 31, 2005 - Meredith Village Savings Bank - Plymouth

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10. January 6, 2006 - Northway Bank - Conway